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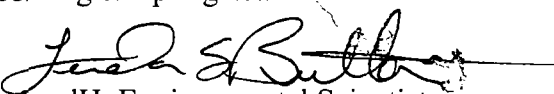
Subject: Sampling of residential wells and soil sampling in the railroad dumpsite area.

Dear Leandro,

In reference to the Site Inspection work conducted at the Abandoned Facility Site and to be conducted at the Railroad Dump Site, AIPC-POEP is planning to sample the ground water from the wells located at the residences near Mateo Overpass and in the Domingo area. (Wells # 1, 2, 3). This work will be performed by the AIPC-POEP Superfund Program through direct coordination with you. The AIPC-POEP Superfund Program is funded by the U.S. EPA and coordinated by their Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas.

The Superfund Program refers to a specific program specializing in the investigation of abandoned facilities and dumpsites which could pose a threat to human health and the environment if the historical use and disposal of chemical products caused environmental contamination. During a site inspection, in this case the collection of groundwater and soil samples, the Superfund laboratories will analyze the samples for a specific list of chemicals. I have attached the list of these compounds and analytes. As you can see the list does not include bacteria contaminants such as E.Coli. We talked about this during our visit with the residents on November 15, 2001.

We also talked about collecting the water samples at these residences during the week of December 17, 2001. Since this is not possible, we need to re-schedule the sampling activities. Can you please let me know a timeframe (some possible dates) that will be convenient for you and the residences. I will then coordinate the activities with the EPA and request the analytical space at the laboratories. Also, can we send a request / reminder to the well owners about any documentation they may have about the wells. The driller should have provided them with some documentation about the description of the well, for example, the depth of the well, the screen depth, the depth to groundwater, the formation type, piping used, and well logs. This information is used for planning the sampling and evaluating the results of the chemical analysis of the groundwater. It is particularly necessary for the third well which is not yet in production and we will need to calculate purge volume and need to know the screen depth for sampling. Thank you and we look forward to working together in these upcoming sampling activities.

Sincerely, 
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